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on FRIDAY, the 6th March, at NOON.
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C. Fine Old Vintage, superior quality, Black Seal Capsule, 14.00, 1.25.

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A. Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capsule, 6.00, 0.60.

B. Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capsule, 7.50, 0.75.

C. Manzanilla, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capsule, 10.00, 1.00.

CC. Superior Old Dry, Pale Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capsule, 10.00, 1.00.

D. Very Superior Old Pale choice old wine, White Seal Capsule, 14.00, 1.50.

E. Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very finest quality, Black Seal Capsule (Old Bottled), 14.00, 1.50.

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A. Superior Breakfast, Claret, Red Capsule, 4.50, 0.45.

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D. La Rose, 12.00, 1.20.

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A. Thorne's Blend, White Capsule, 8.00, 0.75.

B. Watson's Glenorchy Mellow Blend, Blue Capsule with Name and Trade Mark, 8.00, 0.75.

C. Watson's Aboulo-Glenlivet, Red Capsule, with Name and Trade Mark, 8.00, 0.75.

D. Watson's H. K. B. Blend of the Finest Scotch Malt Whiskies, Violet Capsule, 10.00, 1.00.

E. Watson's Very Old Liqueur Scotch Whisky, Old Green Capsule, 12.00, 1.10.

IRISH WHISKY.

A. John Jameson's Old, Green Capsule, 8.00, 0.75.

B. John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capsule, 10.00, 1.00.

C. John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capsule, 12.00, 1.10.

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A. Fine Old Tom, White Capsule, 4.50, 0.45.

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DEATH.

At Peking, on the 2nd February, CYRIL LYFTON FARRAR, of the Chinese Customs Service, aged 27 years.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, MONDAY, MARCH 2, 1891.

TELEGRAMS.

THE VOTE OF CENSURE.

LONDON, February 18th.

Mr. Morley's vote of censure with reference to the Tipperary trials was rejected in the House of Commons, the majority being seventy-five.

SILVER IN AMERICA.

Heavy sales of silver have taken place in New York, it being the general impression that there will be no silver legislation this session.

EGYPT AND DERIVISHES.

The Egyptian troops have occupied El Tel unopposed.

THE FRENCH PRESS OBJECTS.

The French Press strongly object to the nomination of Mr. Justice Scott, formerly of the Bombay High Court, as legal adviser to the Egyptian Government. It being considered that this appointment will greatly increase the influence of Great Britain in Egypt.

ANOTHER GREAT DISCOVERY.

It is stated that Professor Liebreich of Berlin has discovered a curative substance for tubercle leprosy far surpassing that of Dr. Koch's.

FRANCE OBJECTS.

February 19th.

France has protested against the appointment of Mr. Justice Scott as legal adviser to the Egyptian Government.

THE KAISER AND BISMARCK AT LOGGERHEADS.

There is increasing tension between the Emperor and Prince Bismarck in consequence of the constant criticisms of the latter regarding the Imperial policy.

EGYPTIAN SURPLUS.

Last year the Egyptian surplus amounted to five hundred and ninety-eight thousand pounds.

CANADA AND AMERICA.

A meeting of an excited nature has been held at Toronto at which the Canadian Premier, Sir John A. Macdonald, read a document showing that the Liberal leaders had submitted to American statesmen an elaborate scheme for coercing Canada into a Commercial Union and annexation with the United States.

THE FREE COINAGE QUESTION.

February 20th.

The Committee appointed to consider the free Coinage Question, will report on the bill to the House of Representatives on Friday; the majority are adverse to free coinage.

THE CHURCH IN WALES.

The motion of Mr. W. Pritchard Morgan, the member for Merthyr Tydfil, in favour of Church disestablishment in Wales, has been defeated.

SILVER LEGISLATION IN AMERICA.

February 23rd.

The Report of the Coinage Committee ends the prospect of any silver legislation during the present Congress.

THE ATTACK ON THE DERIVISHES.

There has been severe hand-to-hand fighting at Tokar; during the engagement Captain Barron was killed, Captain Beech and four Egyptian officers wounded, the latter severely; and twelve men killed and forty-two wounded. The Derivishes had seven hundred killed. Osman Digna has fled.

AN ANGLO-PORTUGUESE AFRICAN AGREEMENT.

February 26th.

The Times publishes a draft agreement between Great Britain and Portugal defining the Portuguese boundary at 33 deg. East longitude, extending north to Tete, [And we are not to have Macao as a happy summer sanatorium after all] A bad job for the prosperity of the Gem of the Orient Earth.—Ed.]

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

H.M.S. Imperator was docked at the Admiralty Dock, Kowloon to-day, where she is to go through an extensive overhaul.

The return of the number of visitors to the City Hall Museum for the week ending March 1st, 1891.—Europeans 188, and Chinese 2,371 total 2,559.

THE P. M. S. S. Co's steamer City of Rio de Janeiro, with mail, &c., from San Francisco to the 6th ult., has arrived at Yokohama, and left for this port at 6 p.m. to-day.

A REGULAR meeting of Zealand Lodge, No. 525, will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zeland Street, this evening, at 8.30 for 9 o'clock precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

H.M.S. surveying vessel Egret, Comd. A. M. Field, arrived here yesterday morning from a surveying cruise at Vetcher Shoal, and left again to-day for Sandakan where she will be engaged on similar service.

THE Royal Tokio Troupe gave their final performance before a very large and somewhat boisterous audience on Saturday evening. The various items in the programme were performed with the same amount of accuracy, grace and skill, that has characterized the "show" throughout the week. The wrestling competition was again as farcical as on the previous evening, and caused no end of amusement. The troupe left here yesterday for Macao where they intend to give a few performances.

H.M.S. Rambar, on surveying service, arrived at Singapore on the 22nd ult., and after coaling, left for Colombo on the 24th.

We are informed by the agents (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.) that the "Glen" liner Glenfallach, from London, left Singapore yesterday evening for this port.

The London Gazette of January 23rd contains the announcement that the Queen has been pleased to approve of Mr. C. P. Chater as Consul at Hongkong for his Majesty the King of Siam.

A PICKPOCKET who carried a man of seven dollars in Queen's Road yesterday, was sent into retirement for six months this morning, by order Mr. Wise with whom he had quite a lengthy tussle this morning.

AN Emergency meeting of Perseverance Lodge, No. 116, E.C., will be held in the Freemasons' Hall, Zeland Street, on Thursday, the 6th instant, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

MRS. ALICE HAYES, the talented amateur equestrienne who visited Hongkong and China with her husband, Captain Horace Hayes, in 1887, has carried off a challenge cup for hurdle riding at Filling's Circus in Calcutta.

THE monthly competition for the Faki Challenge Cup, presented by Dr. Noble, took place on Saturday afternoon and resulted in a win for Lieut. E. A. Martin, R.N., with a score of 47 points. Eleven members competed.

SAVS the Japan Mail of the 23rd ult.—Count Ito's attack of influenza seems to have been exceptionally severe, but happily he is now recovering fast. Countess Ito and Mrs. Suyematsu Kencho are now laid up with the same malady.

THE British steamer Dunblair, Captain Gedys, which arrived here yesterday from Japan, bound for London, has the Japanese officers and crew on board who are to bring out a Japanese man-of-war, which at present is being built in Germany.

A SYDNEY correspondent says that the seamen there are devoting the whole of their attention to the work of organization. They have been successful in enrolling a very large number of men since the strike.—Preparing for the inevitable.

THE master of a junk and four boatmen were each fined a Mexican dollar, morning, at the Harbour office by Constable Heald, R.N., acting magistrates, for anchoring their respective crafts in the fairway of the harbour on Saturday afternoon.

THE Casewitch was expected to arrive at Singapore from Colombo yesterday. The steamer, the King of Siam, had with an autograph letter from His Majesty inviting His Imperial Highness to visit Siam. The stay of the Casewitch at Singapore is limited to two days.

SIR John Pope Hennessy's vote in the House of Commons with the Government has given offence to some members of the Irish party. It is a rule of the party that on all important questions they should act together, and with the exception of the member for Kilkenny, they voted on the side with Mr. Campbell-Bannerman.

THE well known Telegraph cable steamer Recorder was stranded on the Madge reefs, off Thursday Island, on the morning of February 6th. After considerable trouble she was "kicked off" the reef two days later. The damage to the steamer had not been ascertained when the mail left, beyond that she had knocked off three blades of her propeller.

THE man Wong Anna, recently arrested by Inspector Stanton by virtue of a warrant issued at the instance of the Chinese Authorities, who alleges that the prisoner committed piracy and murder within the jurisdiction of the Emperor of China, was identified this morning by five Chinese witnesses for the prosecution. The case stands remanded until next Monday the 9th instant.

TELEGRAPHIC news reached Peking the other day that a terrible case of amok had occurred in Lower Perak (place not named), five persons having been killed and thirty-one so badly wounded that the medical officer holds out no hopes of their recovery. Inspector Evans, the Peking Gazette says, with a party of police and followers to the number of 300 men, had gone in search of the murderer.

THE appointment of Mr. George Horspool, Acting Deputy Superintendent of Police, to be Acting Captain Superintendent, has been officially gazetted. This is a step in the right direction of the force, and will be consistently followed in all departments of the Government Service where the deputy is capable of taking over and efficiently performing the duties of his immediate chief.

A TELEGRAM from Hobart (Tasmania) states that a court-martial into the charge of breach of discipline against Lieutenant Oliver, of H.M.S. Porpoise, has resulted in that officer being dismissed from the ship, and ordered to forfeit five months' seniority. The charge against him was for having prejudiced good order and discipline by forwarding a letter to the Commander containing frivolous and unfounded charges against his commanding officer, Commander W. Osborne Moore.

WE would remind our readers of the "Grand Assault at Arms" which is to take place at the Theatre Royal, City Hall, to-morrow evening. The programme, which includes contests for the boxing and fencing championships of Hongkong, will be found in another column, and sport of a most interesting nature can confidently be looked forward to. The aim and object of the entertainment is to raise funds for that most worthy of local charitable institutions—the Alice Memorial Hospital, and we hope that the efforts of the energetic committee entrusted with the management of the "show" will be substantially supported by the general public.

THUS our Tientsin contemporary—A gloom has been cast over the foreign residents by the death of Mr. C. L. Farrar, son of the Archbishop, an assistant in the Imperial Customs. He was a young man of great spirit and promise, and his early death is deeply regretted. The funeral service at the British Legation at Peking, on the 6th instant, drew a very large number of sympathizing friends, most of whom followed the coffin to its resting place in the cemetery outside the walls. The flag of all the foreign legations was hoisted half-mast. A telegraphic message from home was communicated to Mr. Farrar a few hours before he died.

THE salvage operations on the sunken Turkish man-of-war Ertegoren are stated to have been more successful than was anticipated. Most of the stuff of any value has been recovered, and an attempt was to be made to raise the old hull itself, on the 1st inst.

It is officially notified that the Governor has granted two months' leave of absence on half salary in addition to four months' vacation leave to the Hon. F. Fleming, Colonial Secretary. Subsequent on Mr. Fleming's departure, Mr. W. M. Deane, Acting Superintendent of Police, has been appointed Acting Colonial Secretary.

ON February 11th, news reached Macassar of the loss of the Reyna, one of the Packet Navigation Company's steamers, owing to striking on a reef near the island of Segorie in the Moluccas. No lives were lost. Close by the spot which proved so fatal to the Reyna, the German vessel V. C. Warras was also wrecked, while on her voyage from New York to Ningpo with 20,000 c-s of petroleum.

THE Hon. Secretary of the Hongkong Cricket Club informs us that he has just received and accepted by cable a challenge to play an Eleven composed of the passengers and officers on board the Canadian Pacific Co.'s new liner, Empress of India. The Empress of India is due here on Sunday the 22nd instant, and the match—which will doubtless create a good deal of interest—will probably be played the following day.

THE captain of the ship Peter Stuart, whose chief-officer lately fatally shot at sea an aggressive seaman named Curry, deposed at the inquest that "he made an official entry in the log-book shortly after the occurrence, but did not read it to Curry, as he was unconscious and suffering great pain." Curry was killed by a bullet in the head, and Ireland shall be Ireland when England's busted up, etc.

GOOD news from Peking.—The Singapore Free Press of February 23rd says:—"We hear that favourable news has been received from the Jalisco mine, near Peking. A large quantity of ore has been struck going to wet in the ton. The lode or reef appears to tend in the direction of the old Peking Company's property. It is to be hoped for the sake of the latter that better times, long in coming, may be not far off, if there proves to be anything in this surmise."

A CHARMING old lady who turned up here on the Pacific from Canton yesterday, was pounced upon by Constable Macnamy who found 110 taels of opium amongst her goods and chattels. As the file of evidence could not dispense the charge of being a half opium dealer's medium she had to leave five Mexicans with the fashionable young man who does the sheriff's pidgeon at the Magistrate, before the constable and the magistrate were willing to cry quits with her. The drug was, as per usual, confiscated.

THERE is neither chance nor circumstance recorded in the world's past history—no matter how extraordinary, that does not sooner or later gain its parallel, and it is with no small amount of concern that we read of a miraculous birth that has recently occurred in a nursery at Canton, and which, strange to say, has been received in the scolding of the present age, and instead of holding the poor mother up for the adoration of this and succeeding generations, as would appear to be the custom observed in a similar case in days of old, she is driven from her virtuous retreat amidst a storm of fire crackers, and most cruel of all, the scoffs and the jeers of wicked unbelievers.

THE Chinese Times tells a yarn about a child who recently arrived in England from Tientsin, who when asked how her own country compared with China, replied in the language most familiar to her: "Yin Yin lau tin. Yin tin lau tin," which may be roughly rendered: "In the one there is heaven (or sky) without earth; in the other and the Chinese, Deputy of Foreign Affairs, at once sent guards to quell and disperse the mob. Result: The nail-picking pilgrim was forthwith released from the station and the crowd became quiet and turned away. It is time for the Municipal Council of Chinkiang to instruct the police in their service in the proper duties that become a constable, if they wish to avoid disturbances and trouble in future."

TAKEN as a whole, the Pension Regulations affecting the subordinate officers and constables of the Hongkong Police Force, published for general information in the Government Gazette of Saturday last, are contemptible, mean and unworthy of a Government that has an important responsibility towards the public in providing men of good character as members of the Force. Compare this beggarly screwing down of the privileges so securely thrown at the rank-and-file who are only paid enough to keep body and soul together, with the lavish provisions made for the Higher ranks, the drones of the Civil Service, and then marvel if you can, that European police officers desert and "clear out" for Australia without a word of protest, whenever they find out the nakedness of the land. Hongkong Constables are almost always bare-faced scoundrels, of cast iron frauds, and we like them not; but the European Police question is becoming so serious that we would strongly urge Governor de Vaux to appoint a Commission—not of brainless officials, and worn-out "official" time-servers, but of men with active minds and independent opinions who represent the community—to investigate and report upon the whole subject.

THUS the Townsville Herald on a subject of local interest—"According to themselves the Chinese have always been a nation of tight and leathery. With consummate ease they have adopted the highly exhilarating occupation of piracy to the exorcism of the press at day, and have taught the world how to loot a large passenger steamer with the least degree of mischief to themselves. Another of their benefits conferred upon a world in which even such engrossing pastimes as "whiskey poker," "loo," and "baccarat" are invariably satiated—is the scientific and at times profitable game of "Pak-kap-poo." The lawyers at the Police Court the other day, in a case of some consequence concerning the parties of this game from Chinese witnesses in a gambling case; and if it ever should become legalized, as a natural sequence legalized, they will be entitled to whatever honor a delighted public may be pleased to bestow. "Pak-kap-poo" is quite easy to understand after you have played it once or twice. According to what must now be regarded as the legal definition of the game, "everybody must conform to the rules of the house, otherwise they cannot enjoy it." The house are invariably posted up inside the house, the first thing required of the player is fifth of the "child-like and bland" order. If you are a suspicious Chinaman or European your party will at once spoil the fun. Probably you have bought tickets from a carrier, and have marked them off. According to the marking off, corresponds with the tickets posted on a board, which have been removed from one out of four; plains selected by chance, you lose your win. "After this," to quote the legal definition of the game, "you must rest and those who lose leave the place?—They are in fact, I left."

ALICE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL.

Statistics for February, 1891.

In-Patients remaining in Hospital on 1st

February.....65

In-Patients admitted to Hospital during

February.....49

Total number treated as In-Patients.....114

Of these there were:

Discharged cured.....32

Discharged relieved.....7

Discharged on other grounds.....4

Died in Hospital.....4

In-Patients remaining in Hospital on 1st

March.....67

Out-Patients, new cases.....372

Out-Patients, return visits.....276

Total number of Out-Patients' visits.....648

Operations.....13

Vaccinations.....12

Dental cases.....3

Casualty cases.....6

JOHN C. THOMSON, M.B., M.R.

Superintendent.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, February 5th.

The question of constructing a cable from Vancouver to Australia has been referred to a joint committee.

An outbreak of hostilities between the Republics of Honduras and Guatemala is considered to be imminent.

The failure of the South Australian loan of £1,000,000, of which only about a third was subscribed; it regarded as a warning that the colonies are borrowing too frequently, and too heavily. It is considered that the minimum of 98 was too high for a 10 per cent. loan.

The Bulletin of the Wool-Consumers' Union of Boston affirms that free importation of foreign wool to the United States is certain shortly.

February 6th.

A serious revolt has broken out among the Mahomedan population of Serbia. The old Serbian Government building has been burned, and the officials have fled.

The French Committee of Customs has passed a resolution in favor of a surtax of 3 francs 60 centimes per hundred kilos of Australian bonded wool introduced into France from Faglad. The object is to promote direct trade between Australia and France.

Mr. Justin McCarthy, addressing a meeting at Leicester yesterday, stated that the Irish members would be summoned to meet on the 12th, when the terms of the settlement for the future leadership would be divulged.

In consequence of the prosecution of the strikers for breach of contract at Cardiff, the Dockers' Union has resolved to stop work at the Butte docks to-day, thereby interrupting the whole of the trade of Cardiff.

There is a growing scepticism regarding the settlement of the dispute in the Irish party. It is rumored that Mr. Gladstone has given a written pledge satisfactory to the Irish leaders.

PARIS, February 6th.

The French Government will probably ask the Chamber of Deputies for funds to relieve the distress in Pondichery.

WASHINGTON, February 6th.

The Treasury purchased 507,000 ounces of silver at prices ranging between 101 7/8 and 102 1/8.

LONDON, February 7th.

In the House of Commons Baron de Worms, replying to a question, said the Government saw no reason why Ceylon should be exempt from a fair share of the expenses attending Imperial and local defence. The decision of the Government in the matter would be shortly communicated to that Colony.

Advices from Askaniya deny the reported death of the Ameer of Afghanistan.

In the House of Commons Sir Roper Lathbridge gave notice of a motion that it is desirable to have a free discussion on Indian affairs at least once every session, and to amend the standing orders so as to permit a debate on the Indian Budget being brought on before the Speaker leaves the chair.

Circulars have been issued by rival sections of the Irish party with regard to the organization of the Land League and the control of the funds. There is a strong Republican agitation in Spain in consequence of the Government suppressing Republican election meetings. Several demonstrations have been held.

The strike at Cardiff has commenced. Fully 10,000 men are now idle. The Dock Company is resolute, and refuses to re-engage any of the men who have gone out on strike.

The Cardiff strikers have appealed to the railway companies to block all goods forwarded by the owners in the federation, but the railway companies have replied that the Dock Company's men are guilty of a breach of contract, and that the railway companies will not recognize any difference between unionists and free laborers.

The Cardiff Dock Company is importing free men from Glasgow and elsewhere.

WASHINGTON, February 7th.

In the House of Representatives, Mr. Bland attempted to tack on the Free Coinage Bill to the Supply Bill, but it was ruled out of order, and the ruling was sustained by a majority of seven votes. Mr. Bland afterwards moved the Coinage Committee of the House to report on the Coinage Bill on Thursday, otherwise the Bill would be lost. The committee refused to comply, and have decided to continue hearing the evidence of public bodies, which, so far, is altogether adverse to the Bill.

The caucus of the Democratic members of the House of Representatives have resolved that the Senate's Silver Bill referred by the House to the coinage committee is important, and should be reported to the House without delay.

LONDON, February 8th.

Baron Hirsch has given half a million sterling to promote the emigration of Jews to America. Colonel Sir Gordon Cumming, of the Scots Guards, has instituted an action against five persons well known in society for imputing to him cheating at cards.

OTTAWA, February 8th.

A manifesto has been issued by Sir John Macdonald, the Premier, to the Canadian people, in which he warmly combats unrestricted reciprocity with the United States, which, he says, would result in a discrimination against England and the smallest of Canada to the United States. He, therefore, urges the necessity of upholding allegiance to the Crown and the unity of the empire; and of preserving Canada's commercial and political freedom.

Peninsular and Oriental Company's dry dock for repairs, and left on Friday evening. She seems to have put out before there was sufficient water, and subsequently ran on the rocks off Mangan Bunder. She had no pilot on board at that time.

The *Conquest* was floated on Saturday night and taken to her moorings. It is hoped she has sustained but slight damage, but divers will be sent down to-day to examine her plates.

The divers examination of the *Conquest* has revealed considerable damage to the bottom, the main keel and the starboard bilge keels. Some sheets of copper are off the bilge keels, and the false keel is splintered. The vessel will have to re-dock.

ALLAHABAD, February 9th. A special London telegram reports that the prospects of any Silver Bill passing during the current Congress are virtually at an end.

Mr. Goschen's scheme for the issue of ten shilling notes is believed to be doomed. Rumours of a Chinese silver loan for seven millions has been revived in the *Ymer*, but any present effect from this is improbable. The immediate prospects of exchange depend mainly upon some possible revival of the Indian export trade. Anticipations point to a gradual fall of rates after March to below one and five pence, and little recovery during the six subsequent months.

February 10th. Major Bromhead, V.C., whose name is inseparably connected with the defence of Rorke's Drift in the Zulu War, died at Allahabad on Tuesday of enteric fever with complications. The funeral was attended by a large number of officers of the regiment and garrison.

MANDALAY, February 11th. A Pathan naik rai amok at Fort Steadman this morning and shot dead Major E. B. Nixon, Commander, 2nd (Burma) Regiment Madras Infantry. Major Nixon was in his house at the time, dressing for parade. Lieutenant E. W. Jamieson, of the same Regiment, was seriously wounded. Two sepoy were also shot dead and one sepoy slightly wounded, while attempting to arrest the murderer. Eventually the murderer was arrested. He was severely wounded in the scuffle.

Lieutenant Jamieson has died from his wounds.

LONDON, February 10th. Mr. McLaren has given notice in the House of Commons that he will move an amendment to the second reading of the India Council Bill regarding the absence of the elective principle. Mr. McLaren will move an amendment to Mr. McLaren's, expressing "satisfaction" that Mr. Plowden has secured first place on the 7th instant for a motion similar to the one which Sir Roger Lechebridge has given notice of with reference to a discussion of Indian affairs in the House of Commons. The motion of Sir R. Lechebridge is therefore suspended. In Mr. Plowden's, the Government will in no way take part.

A conference of the delegates to the Indian Congress is to be held in London.

February 10th. The gunboat *Assaye*, built for the Indian Government, was launched at Elswick yesterday. Private Walter Haxall, of the Fourth Battalion King's Royal Rifle, who had been tried at Old Bailey, on his own confession, for the murder of James Douglas, a Private in the same Regiment, at Umballa, in March 1885, has been acquitted.

The rupture among the Parnellites is attributed to Mr. Parnell having rejected pledges made by the Gladstonian Liberals which he considered to be inadvisable.

Messrs. Dillon and O'Brien are coming to England to-day, and will surrender themselves to the police on landing.

In the House of Commons last night, the Tithes Bill was read a third time.

The Queen has decided to go to the Riviera instead of to Florence, as the latter place is considered unhealthy.

Mr. Mansfield, Gladstonian Liberal, has been elected for Northampton by a majority of seventeen hundred and fifteen votes over Mr. Germaine, the Conservative candidate.

NEW YORK, February 12th. The New York Board of Trade have passed a resolution strongly opposing Free Coinage until an International agreement has been arrived at. A letter from ex-President Cleveland has appeared also opposing Free Coinage.

CAIRO, February 12th. Sir Evelyn Baring has officially proposed to the Khedive the nomination of Mr. Justice Scott as legal adviser to the Egyptian Government and President of Committee to supervise local tribunals.

LONDON, February 13th. Mr. Buchanan, member for Edinburgh, will, on Tuesday next, move in the House of Commons that the three Presidency commands in India be united under one command.

Sir John Gorst, in a speech at Chatham yesterday, on the labour question, said he generally favored State intervention for the protection of work people, and thought that Government might intervene to prevent overwork in Indian mills.

Last evening a prostitute was found murdered in Whitechapel with her head nearly severed from her body. It is believed that this is a revival of the "Jack-the-Ripper" murders.

Dillon and O'Brien arrived at Folkestone last night, and were arrested by the Police. They will be conveyed to Dublin this morning.

In the House of Commons, Sir J. Ferguson, in reply to a question, said the Government had sanctioned the occupation of Tokar and Haudub by Egyptian troops, in order to relieve the neighbourhood of Sudan from the oppression the inhabitants were suffering under at the hand of the Derwishes, and to facilitate the opening of trade with Egypt. The Egyptian Government, he said, would bear the cost of the expedition.

The labour struggle at Cardiff has extended to the Albert Dock, London; also to Liverpool. The movement is a combined endeavour of the Federated Unions to overthrow the Shipping Federation.

WASHINGTON, February 13th. The Treasury have purchased six hundred and seventy thousand ounces of silver at prices between 100.37 and 100.90.

CAIRO, February 14th. Egyptian Council have approved the nomination of Mr. Justice Scott as legal adviser to the Egyptian Government owing to the influence brought to bear on the matter by the Khedive. The nomination almost caused a cabinet crisis, Riaz Pacha, President of Council, objecting to increased British influence in the country.

LONDON, February 14th. Sir Edward Bradford is convinced that the murder in Whitechapel on Thursday evening was the work of "Jack-the-Ripper," and he will endeavour to utilize his experience in Thugism in tracking the man.

The Liverpool dockers have resumed work.

General Dornier has started for Madras and joins the *Oriana* at Brindisi.

At a meeting of Anti-Parnellites, and committee was appointed to organize a National Federation, separate from the National League.

VALPARAISO, February 14th. Insurgent fleet is bombarding Piqueno, and have set fire to the town. Iniquique is also in flames. The insurgents signally defeated the Chilean troops at Tarapaca.

LONDON, February 15th. A man named Sadder, who is a ship's fireman, was arrested on suspicion of murdering the woman at Whitechapel on Thursday last. Several witnesses identified him as the man they saw quarrelling with victim, prior to the murder. His clothes, on arrest, were found to be marked with blood.

February 16th. The man Sadder, arrested on suspicion of having murdered a woman in Whitechapel, admits knowing the deceased and having quarrelled with her, but tells a story, partially confirmed, which shews his innocence of the murder.

The high Indian officials specified in Lord Cross's bill, for allowing them to come home on certain occasions without vacating their posts, are the Viceroy, the Governors of the three Presidencies and members of their councils, Lieutenant-Governors, Commanders-in-Chief, and the Commandery-in-Chief of Madras and Bombay.

THE FUNERAL RITES OF PRINCE CH'UN.

We are indebted to the *N. C. Daily News* for the following translation of a memorial published in the *Peking Gazette* of January 11th:—

Prince K'o-ch'in and his colleagues submit a memorial in which, in compliance with instructions conveyed in a Decree issued by H.M. the Empress Dowager on the 1st of January last, they report upon the mourning and other rites to be paid to the memory of His Imperial Highness Prince Ch'ün. The Book of Rites prescribes that a person who passes by adoption into another family should observe mourning for one year for the death of his own father or mother, and this is the term which the memorialist venture to think should be observed on the present occasion, in accordance with the principle adopted by Her Majesty the Empress Dowager in deciding that Prince Ch'ün should be styled the late Father of the Emperor. The term of mourning being thus fixed, the following are the various points of ceremonial in connection with the last rites to the memory of the illustrious dead, which the memorialists, after careful consideration, venture to submit for adoption.

I.—The term of mourning being one year of twelve months, it is respectfully suggested that in accordance with usage, His Majesty should go into deep mourning for either 11 or 13 days as Her Majesty the Empress may be pleased to decide.

II.—After putting off his robes of deep mourning, His Majesty should, it is suggested, be asked to have his head shaved.

III.—When a Prince of the first order dies, the custom is to hold no Court for three days. Whether this term should be extended on the present occasion in honour of Prince Ch'ün is respectfully submitted to the decision of the Empress Dowager.

IV.—During the period of one year the Emperor is humbly requested to wear ordinary mourning in his private apartments. This should not, however, apply to his visits of respect to the Empress Dowager, to the reception of his ministers in audience, or to the transaction of public business. During the period of deep mourning the Emperor should, it is suggested, pay a daily visit to the residence of the late Prince and pour oblations before the remains.

V.—All other ceremonies of this kind being performed by Princes and Nobles deputed to act on behalf of His Majesty. The Board of Ceremonies should decide upon the etiquette to be observed when the members of the family meet together in mourning for the dead.

VI.—It is respectfully suggested that the Imperial State functions at the temples of his ancestors and at those of Heaven, the Sun, the Moon, and the Earth should, during the above period of one year, be conducted by the Emperor in person. On all ordinary occasions of worship the Emperor's duties should, for one year, be performed by proxy.

VII.—On the first day of the New Year the Emperor should celebrate the usual rites at the P'ang-t'ien in full solemn ceremony, and his visit to the Empress Dowager on the same day should be made with similar ceremony and be accompanied with music. When receiving the New Year's congratulations in the T'ai-ko Tien the Emperor should wear court dress, but whether when he ascends the Throne, the congratulatory address should be read and the music played, is a question which the memorialists would respectfully submit to the decision of H.M. the Empress Dowager.

VIII.—As regards the wine, meat, incense, paper, cash, and all other articles required for performing the sacrificial rites on the first and second occasions, as well as at the removal of the remains and at the interment, there are points to be arranged by the Board of Rites in accordance with the custom usually followed in the case of a Prince of the first degree.

IX.—Whether the Emperor's name should be inscribed on the Elogy and the Epitaph is a point on which the memorialists can presume to offer no suggestions, and respecting which they would humbly solicit the instructions of Her Majesty the Empress Dowager. The characters for "Prince Ch'ün" should be elevated two spaces above the column in all documents submitted to the Throne.

THE AUDIENCE QUESTION AT Peking.

Last week we made some observations on this subject from the Chinese point of view, or at least from the point of view of Chinese interests. From the foreign side there is virtually nothing to be said that has not been said repeatedly in these columns during the past three years. It is the foreign governments, especially those of England and France, which are mainly to blame for the neglect of this question during the past thirty years, and all the Great Powers have shared to the full in the responsibility for the recent attitude of the Chinese. It was of course useless for the Ministers in Peking to assume a strong position unless they were supported by their governments, and for all that we see at present no satisfactory solution of the question at issue is likely to come out of anything in the nature of negotiations carried on in Peking. Indeed, it is not very obvious what there is to negotiate about. Either the Chinese Government desires to behave as a civilized Power, or it does not, and any chattering about this economy or that, would seem like a Chinese way of trifling with the main question.

The usage of civilized states must be well-known to the Chinese, since their own Ministers in Western countries have experienced it for a good many years. That and nothing else is what is due from the Chinese to

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Hongkong, 27th February, 1891.

foreigners on the baldest ground of reciprocity, and if it be not accorded, the obligation could be protected like a dishonoured bill which the holder keeps in hand until it suits his convenience to take further action. Discussion in such a case would tend to weaken the claim if not to condone the offence, and compromise would be an act of real disloyalty to the civilized world, and to posterity. This is no mere figure of speech, for the tenure of any office is always brief, and the officials hold their powers in trust for the generations to come much more than for the one that is passing away under their eyes. Foreign nations can get along very well without their Ministers seeing the Emperor of China, and if either by his own will or through the obstacle of his servants access to him is not made easy and honourable, why should foreigners trouble themselves at all about the matter? It is an affair between the Emperor and his own Ministers, and might very well be left in their hands.

But it behoves the foreign governments at home to take note of the attitude of the Peking Government; and if they were well advised and could afford, amid the turmoil of Western politics, to bestow an occasional quarter of an hour on the consideration of their Chinese relations, they would surely mete out to the Chinese representatives at their respective Courts the exact measure of courtesy which is shown to the foreign representatives in Peking. No complaint could be made of such even-handed reciprocity, and were it not honestly adopted by the Great Powers it would not be the foreign Ministers who would have to sue for civility in Peking, but quite the contrary. The Western Powers have followed a different principle of action to this, and not content with shewing Chinese envoys the ordinary courtesies due to their position have heaped special favours on their heads, and it is not too strong a word to use—have behaved obsequiously to them. Guards of honour, special trains, royal visits, their very servants worshipped, and the philistine brood of English mayors following the Chinese Minister about with their fawning addresses—these are the circumstances which have put off the officials in Peking with the idea that they can treat foreigners as they please from the highest to the lowest. It is to be hoped that some day they may be undeceived without a catastrophe; and they will be, if foreigners are but true to themselves, and if their rulers do not forget the dignity of their own countries.—*Chinese Times*.

CHINKIANG.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

February 18th. New Year has now been fully introduced amidst the rattle of fire-crackers, and the noise is abating, to be renewed again, however, at the Feast of Lanterns on the 15th, after which the Chinese will resume regular work. It will take about a month's time to get the "enthusiasm" out of their bones. The God of Wealth had a birthday on the 15th. The fact was very plausibly impressed on the writer's mind by a very pitiful incident. Two boys went to a temple to worship. After performing the usual ceremonies one of them went outside. During his absence the clothes of the other boy, a little fellow only eight years old, caught fire, and before help could be secured, he was so badly burned that he died before night. As usual in desperate cases the Chinese asked the foreigner to help, and as usual the foreigner went to the village, but arrived too late. The poor boy had died from the shock, and a strange scene occurred at the place: About one hundred people were waiting for the father to arrive with the foreigner, and an old woman had been deputed to break the bad news to the man, who is a stout fellow about thirty years old. Upon receiving the intelligence he leaped into the air like one shot, and rushed to his house, but before he could reach the door four or five lusty villagers had him down and proceeded to take him to the ancestral temple. From the dust and din the fact was gathered that the child died with him to look upon the face of the dead child until he had been exhorted by the elders, lest he should injure the other boy who went with the deceased to the temple. The foreigner was decedately invited in to rest and refresh himself with some pond-water tea and soft boiled eggs. Wishing to see the outcome he entered the hall and discovered the bereaved father seated in the centre, and about a dozen old men and women comforting him. He was held down by the stout young men who had seized him at the first. After a while a place was given to his mother who in a piteous tone informed him that it was Heaven's will and that the fire was God's fire (*Fe-shan*), a fire supposed to be inextinguishable by man, and that he must not blame any one. In the course of time the poor fellow became quiet. Strange indeed, but the sympathy was real. Tears were streaming down the cheeks of many and there was anguish of mind among all. It is characteristic of good men to see good qualities in others, however degraded they may be. There is sympathy, real and unaffected, among this people, and foreigners, as good men, ought to go to it, to offset the many bad qualities of this book-cursed people.

On Sunday night about fifty houses were burnt with "God's fire." Everything was almost destroyed, but there has been no loss of life reported. The fire originated in a coal store, and like the Tientsin fire, by an overturned kerosene lamp. On Monday the smoking ruins seemed to be given up to the beggars and thieves. Many stores were consumed, as the fire occurred in the busiest part of the city, at the *Tai-shap-hay*, and the writer saw him consumed hams, fruit, and other things carried off in great quantities by the riotous. The Chinese were grumbling at foreigners for bringing kerosene to China, but they will learn after a while from experience that kerosene oil differs materially from bean oil just as a foreigner

differs from a Chinaman—not to push the analogy too far.

The J. S. man-of-war *Monocacy* arrived on the anniversary of the riot. Your correspondent was apprised of this fact by an Englishman with a joy-beaming face. Let the retailer of the old "American Navy" joke note this. The spring is just on, and the sap of this joke is still in the roots. How long it will bud again and foreigners (and Chinese too, perhaps) will enjoy its green freshness.

According to a Chinese notice the people of thirty-six villages were to have met yesterday at the Goddess of Mercy hill to consult about the wind, rain and harvest. For the last six years there has been much suffering from drought in this district. Prayers for rain have been frequently offered, but answers have been received in a way similar to the answers to their prayers for wealth. Evidently something is wrong.—*N. C. Daily News*.

To-day's Advertisements.

ZETLAND LODGE.

No. 325.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above named Lodge will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, THIS EVENING, the 2nd March, at 8.30 for 9 O'CLOCK precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1891.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF HONGKONG, No. 1165, E.C.

A REGULAR MEETING of the above named Lodge will be held in the FREEMASONS' HALL, Zetland Street, on THURSDAY, the 7th instant, at 8.30 for 9 P.M. precisely. Visiting Brethren are cordially invited.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1891.

STEAM TO SHANGHAI.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship "ORIENTAL," Captain F. Stewart, will leave for the above place at Noon, TO-MORROW, the 3rd inst.

E. L. WOODIN, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1891.

FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship "MASCOTTE," Captain Ross, will be despatched as above on the 9th inst.

For Freight, apply to ADAMSON, BELL & Co., Agents.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1891.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW.

THE Company's Steamship "FOKION," Captain Davis, will be despatched for the above Ports on THURSDAY, the 5th instant, at Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1891.

HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

A COMPETITION for the SUBSCRIPTION HANDICAP CHALLENGE CUP (Short Range) and RANGE SPOONS, will be held on SATURDAY next the 7th instant, at 3.30 p.m. Distance 200 and 300 yards, seven shots at each. Position: any. Entrance fee, 3 p.m. A Launch will leave the P. & O. Pier at 3 p.m. to convey competitors.

C. VIVIAN LADDS, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1891.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1890.

CONTRIBUTORS to the above Office are requested to furnish the Undersecretary with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December, 1890, in order that the Distribution of Bonus may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st day of March instant will be adjusted by the Office, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Agents, Canton Insurance Office, Limited.

Hongkong, 2nd March, 1891.

To-day's Advertisements.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

REPORT

For presentation to the Shareholders at the Twenty-second Ordinary Annual Meeting, to be held at the OFFICES of THE COMPANY, Pedder's Street, on SATURDAY, the 7th March, 1891, at Noon.

The General Managers have pleasure in submitting to the shareholders the twenty-second Annual Report of the Company.

1889 ACCOUNT.

The result of the year's working shows a balance at credit of \$187,874, which sum, with the approval of the Consulting Committee, it is now proposed to deal with as follows:—

Reserve Fund.....	\$ 3,951.00
Bonus to Contributing Shareholders.....	19,023.00
Dividend of \$18 per Share.....	144,000.00
	\$187,874.00

MORTGAGES.

The General Managers and Consulting Committee are satisfied from the valuations made by the Company's Surveyors in Shanghai and Hongkong that the properties held by the Company are good for the advances made, although considerable depreciation has taken place in Hongkong.

CONSULTING COMMITTEE.

Messrs. S. G. Bird and A. P. McEwen having left the Colony, Messrs. F. T. P. Foster and C. J. Holliday have been nominated to the vacant seats, and their appointment now requires to be confirmed. The present members, the Hon. C. P. Chater, Messrs. J. S. Moles and T. E. Davies, offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.

The Accounts have been audited by Messrs. G. S. Coxon and Fullerton Henderson and their re-election as Auditors of the Company is recommended.

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers, Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Ltd. Hongkong, 27th February, 1891.

BALANCE SHEET, DECEMBER 31ST, 1890.

Dr. Capital Subscribed.....\$2,000,000.00

Amount paid-up.....\$ 400,000.00

Reserve Fund.....1,056,049.00

Uncollected Dividends.....7,092.70

Accounts Payable.....58,726.12

Working Account, 1889:—

Balance from last a/c.....\$393,349.20

Add—Sundry Premiums, &c., since collected.....\$9,897.35

Less—Losses and other Payments.....\$168,706.55

Remuneration to Consulting Committee & Auditors.....6,667.00

\$175,373.55

Net Profit for 1889.....187,874.00

Working Account, 1890:—

Amount brought forward from below.....285,007.23

\$1,994,749.95

Cr. Assets.

Cash on Current Account with Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation.....\$ 80,342.55

Cash in hands of General Managers Fixed Deposits:—

Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation.....275,000.00

New Oriental Bank Corporation, Limited.....50,000.00

Mortgages:—

In Hongkong.....\$763,167.60

In Foochow.....50,000.00

In Amoy.....20,000.00

In Shanghai.....594,787.01

Chinese Imperial Government Loan, 1886.....35,135.54

Shares in the China Fire Insurance Company, Limited.....157.00

Steam Fire Engines.....5,000.00

Accounts Receivable.....110,616.97

\$1,994,749.95

WORKING ACCOUNT, 1890.

To Net Premiums received, less Re- turns and Re-insurances.....\$ 341,158.51

Interest.....123,504.23

Exchange.....151.44

Transfer Fees.....173.00

\$ 464,986.98

By Losses and Claims paid.....\$ 92,365.01

Charges, including Salaries of Assistants and Surveyors, Rent of Office, Fire Brigade Expenses, Retaining Fees, Stationery, &c., and Special Charges appertaining to Agencies in Great Britain.....47,917.62

Commissions.....39,697.12

Packing.....842.00

Remuneration to General Manager.....5,000.00

Wages and Salaries.....23,885.05

Auditors' Fees, 1889 & 1890.....300.00

\$115,258.01

By Cement sold.....\$ 66,486.13

Transfer fees.....63.00

Stocks of Finished Cement, Clinker, Coke and Raw material on hand and in course of manufacture.....13,103.60

Balance to Profit & Loss account.....35,605.28

\$115,258.01

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

On 31st December, 1890.

To Working account 1890. Amount at Debit as per 1st year's balance sheet.....\$ 25,296.79

Working account 1890. Amount at Debit as above.....35,605.28

\$ 60,902.07

By Interest account.....\$ 4,728.28

Balance carried down.....35,873.79

\$ 60,902.07

C. E. WILKES, General Manager.

I have compared the above statement with the Books and Vouchers of the Company and certify the same to be correct.

Mails.

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SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN,
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GIBRALTAR, MARSEILLES, BRIN-
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PLYMOUTH, AND
LONDON;
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AUSTRALIA.

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GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAM-
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THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
"BENGAL," Captain W. Barrett, with
Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from
this for LONDON, via BOMBAY and SUEZ
CANAL, on THURSDAY, the 5th March, at
NOON.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M.,
Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until
4 P.M., on the day before sailing.
Silk and Valuables for Europe will be
transhipped at Colombo. General Cargo
for London will be conveyed via Bombay without
transhipment, arriving one week later than by
the ordinary direct route via Colombo.

Tea will be sent either via Bombay or
Colombo, according to arrangement.
For further particulars regarding FREIGHT and
PASSAGE apply to the PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hong-
kong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are re-
quired to be declared prior to shipment.
Shippers are particularly requested to note
the terms and conditions of the Company's
Black Bills of Lading.

This Steamship takes Cargo and Passengers for
Marseilles.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hankow, 16th February, 1891.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

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"CITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO"
will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via
YOKOHAMA on TUESDAY, the 10th March, at
1 P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for
Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports,
to San Francisco, to Atlantic and Inland Cities
of the United States, via Overland Railways, to
Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports
in Mexico, Central and South America, by the
Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England,
France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines
of Steamers.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—
To San Francisco, return, \$225.00
To San Francisco, return, 393.75
available for 6 months.
To Liverpool, return, 332.00
To London, return, 332.00
To other European Ports at proportionate
rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers
of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the
Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on
application.

Passengers by this line have the option of
proceeding overland by the Southern Pacific
and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern
Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embark-
ing at San Francisco for China or Japan (or
vice versa) within one year will be allowed a
discount of 10 per cent. from Return Fare.
This allowance does not apply to through
fares from China and Japan to Europe.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M.
the day previous to sailing. Parcel Packages will
be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day;
all Parcel Packages should be marked to ad-
dress in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo de-
stined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the
United States, should be sent to the Company's
Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and
Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,
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C. D. HARMAN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1891.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM-
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TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO
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THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
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THE Steamship

"GAELIC"
will be despatched for San Francisco, via
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at 1 P.M.

Connection will be made at Yokohama with
Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.
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rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers
of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the
Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on
application.

Passengers by this line have the option of
proceeding overland by the Southern Pacific
and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern
Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embark-
ing at San Francisco for China or Japan (or
vice versa) within one year will be allowed a
discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does
not apply to through fares from China and
Japan to Europe.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo de-
stined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the
United States, should be sent to the Company's
Office in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the
Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and
Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,
No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1891.

Mails.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ,
PORT SAID, BRINDISI, GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG,
PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK
SEA AND BALTIC PORTS.

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,
BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,
GALVESTON, AND SOUTH
AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT
SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS
AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bill
of Lading for the principal places in
RUSSIA.

ON SUNDAY, the 15th day of March,
1891, at 11 A.M., the Company's Steamship
"NECKAR," Captain H. Supper, with
MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE & CARGO,
will leave this Port as above, calling at GENOA,
Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M.,
Specie and Parcels until 1 P.M., on the 14th
March, (Parcels are not to be sent on Board;
they must be left at the Agency's Office). Con-
tents and Value of Packages are required.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation
and carries a Doctor and Stewards.
For further Particulars, apply to
MEYER & CO.,
Agents.

Hankow, 16th February, 1891.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY
COMPANY.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM
HONGKONG, 1891.

(Subject to Alteration).

Empress of India, Tuesday, March 27th.

Parilla, Tuesday, April 28th.

Empress of Japan, Tuesday, May 26th.

THE Steamship

"EMPEROR OF INDIA,"

Captain O. P. Marshall, R.N.R., sailing at Noon
on TUESDAY, the 31st March, with Her
Majesty's Mails, will proceed to VANCOUVER,
via SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, INLAND
SEA, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

FROM HONGKONG, FIRST CLASS.

To Vancouver, Victoria, Esquimaux,
New Westminster, Port Townsend,
Seattle, Tacoma, Portland, O., \$225.00

To Banff, Calgary, \$225.00

To Winnipeg, \$225.00

To Minneapolis, St. Paul, Duluth, \$225.00

To Chicago, Kansas City, St. Louis, \$225.00

To Detroit, Cincinnati, Cleveland,
Columbus, Hamilton, London, (O.K.), \$305.00

To Toronto, Niagara Falls, \$305.00

To Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal,
Quebec, New York, Albany, Troy,
Rochester, Baltimore, Philadelphia,
Pittsburg, Washington, Boston,
Portland (Maine), Halifax, St. John's, \$310.00

To Liverpool and London, \$325.00

To Paris and Bremen, \$345.00

To Havre and Hamburg, \$355.00

Through Passage Tickets granted to England,
France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines
of Steamers.

Special rates (first-class only) are granted to
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,
Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European
officials in service of China and Japan, and to
Government officials.

Return Tickets.—First and second class only.
—Prepaid return tickets to Pacific Coast Ports,
and to Eastern and Interior Ports of Canada
and U.S.A. will be granted, available for—
12 months at 25 per cent. off Return Fare.

(Time reckoned from the date of issue to
date of re-embarkation at Vancouver.)
Passengers to Pacific Coast Ports and to In-
terior and Eastern Ports of Canada and U.S.A.
not holding prepaid return tickets, but who re-
embark at Vancouver within 12 months from
date of issue of original ticket, will be allowed
10 per cent. off the return fare.

Prepaid return tickets to Liverpool and
London will be issued, available for 12 months,
at \$50 or for 6 months, \$25.

Cargo.—Through Bills of Lading issued to
Japan, Pacific, Coast Ports, and to Canadian
and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States
Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one
copy must be sent forward by the steamer to
the care of D. E. BROWN, Assistant General
Freight and Passenger Agent, Canadian Pacific
Railway Company, Vancouver, B. C.

Parcels must be sent to our Office, with
address marked in full by 5 P.M. the day
previous to sailing.
For further information as to Passage or
Freight, apply to—

ADAMSON, BELL & CO.,
Agents.

Hankow, 21st February, 1891.

Consignees.

THE CHINA SHIPPERS' MUTUAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM LONDON, LIVERPOOL,
AND SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship
"HAMPSHIRE"
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods
are being landed at their risk into the Godowns
of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and
Godown Company, Kowloon, whence delivery
may be obtained.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns, and all claims must be
sent in to the Office of the Underwriter, before
NOON on the 3rd prox., or they will not be
recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged goods are to
be left in the Godowns, where they will be
examined on the 3rd prox., at 4 P.M.

No Fire Insurance has been effected, and any
Goods remaining in the Godowns after the 3rd
prox. will be subject to risk.
Optional cargo will be forwarded unless notice
to the contrary be given before noon, TO DAY.
Bills of Lading will be completed by—
ARNOLD, KARRER & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1891.

Hotels.

THE SHAMEN HOTEL.
BRITISH CONCESSION, CANTON.

THIS FIRST CLASS HOTEL, admirably
situated within a few minutes walk of the
"River Steamer Wharves," is now open to receive
Visitors.

The Bed-rooms are cool, airy and comfortably
furnished, and the spacious Dining Room, Sitting
Rooms, and accommodation generally will be
found equal to the best Hotels in the Far East.
The Table D'Hôte is supplied with every
luxury in season, and the cuisine is in experi-
enced hands.

Wines, Spirits, Malt Liquors, etc., of the best
quality only.

A. F. DO RAZARIO,
Manager.

Hongkong, 4th November, 1890.

THE BOA VISTA.

BISHOP'S BAY, MACAO.

THIS House, situated on the sea shore in one
of the best and healthiest parts of Macao,
and commanding an admirable view facing the
South, was OPENED as a HOTEL on the 1st July.

Every comfort will be provided for visitors, with
excellent cuisine and choice Wines.
Hot, Cold, Shower and Sea Water Baths.
Large and well ventilated Dining, Billiard, and
Reading Rooms, and well supplied Bar.
A small dairy is attached to the premises.

MRS. MARIA DOS REMEDIOS,
Proprietress.

PEAK HOTEL.

VICTORIA GAP, PEAK,
Adjoining the Tramway Terminus.

THE most beautiful position in the environs
of Hongkong, situated 1,250 feet above
sea level, commanding magnificent views of the
City and Harbour of Victoria, the mainland of
China and neighbouring Islands.

Cool Southern breezes in Summer with perfect
protection from N.E. Winds of Winter.
The best accommodation of Visitors with
every comfort, convenience and attention.
The Cuisine is under the best supervision and
every luxury obtainable is supplied.

WINE, etc., the best Brands and finest
qualities only are kept.

TERMS MODERATE.

Telephone No. 29.

PEAK HOTEL & TRADING CO., Ltd.,
Proprietors.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1891.

Intimations.

BRITISH MERCANTILE MARINE
OFFICERS' ASSOCIATION.

President,
CAPTAIN SAMUEL ASHTON, A.L.N.A.

THE QUARTERS of this ASSOCIATION
are now situated at College Chambers,
just above the Daily Press Office.

All British Masters and Officers calling at or
residing in this port are cordially invited to
make free use of the Association's Rooms and to
communicate with the Secretary about any
matters which they deem expedient, either in
their own interest or that of the profession
generally.

Membership cards will be found on the table,
which these desirous of joining the Association
can fill in at their pleasure.

Members of the Liverpool Association or of
the Federation of Shipmasters and Officers of
Great Britain admitted as honorary members.

Ordinary meetings are held at College Cham-
bers EVERY SATURDAY at 9 P.M.
All British Masters and Officers are cordially
invited to be present at our Meetings.

CHESNEY DUNCAN,
Hon. Sec.

9/o The Committee.

Hongkong, 12th January, 1891.

NOTICE.

JAY'S SANITARY COMPOUNDS
COMPANY, LIMITED.

JAY'S WOOD PRESERVER OR
ANTISEPTIC PAINT.

THE Undersigned have this day been
appointed SOLE AGENTS for the sale
of these PERFECT DISINFECTANTS, and
are prepared to supply quantities to suit
purchasers, at Wholesale Prices. Extra Special
terms for Shipping and large Orders.

Sir ROBERT RAWLINSON, C.B., C.E., Chief
Sanitary Engineer, Local Government Board,
London, says—
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Hankow, 16th June, 1888.

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Japan.

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NAUTICAL CHARTS AND BOOKS.

No. 28, Queen's Road Central.

NOTICE.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF SANDAKAN.

IN ITS PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Will and Estate of CHARLES WALTER
FLINT, of Sandakan, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that all Creditors
and other persons having any claims
against the Estate of CHARLES WALTER
FLINT, deceased, late of Sandakan, Merchant,
Probate of whose Will has been granted by the
High Court of Sandakan, to H. E. DUNLOP of
Sandakan, Executor appointed by the Will of
the said deceased, are hereby required to send in
particulars of such claims to the said under-
signed, on or before the Thirtieth day of
October, 1891. And Notice is hereby given that
after such date the said Executor will proceed to
distribute the assets of the said deceased among
the parties entitled thereto having regard only
to the claims of which he shall then have had
notice.

Dated this First day of November, 1890.

P. F. J. MARCUS,
Registrar.

Receiver for the said Executor.

High Court,
Sandakan.

Intimations.

STRAITS FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of this Company
will be CLOSED at the HEAD OFFICE,
SINGAPORE, from the 11th to 26th March next,
both days inclusive.

ROBT. BAIRD,
Agent.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1891.

J. & R. HARVEY & Co.,
DUNDASHILL DISTILLERY, GLASGOW.

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Finest Pure Malt Scotch Whisky.
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manded the largest sale in the English Market
OF ANY WHISKY made in Scotland, and
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is desired.

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For Prices and Samples, apply to
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Sole Agent for China and Japan.

Hongkong, 28th August, 1890.

NOTICE.

GRIFFITH'S PHOTOGRAPHIC ROOMS.

1, Ice House Road, are suitably lighted to
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CABINETS DE VISITE from \$3 a dozen.

LIFE SIZED BUSTS in Colour, or Black &
White.

IVORY MINIATURES, &c., &c.

NEW VIEWS OF HONGKONG and the
Coast Ports are always ready.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1890.

NOTICE.

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(Top Floor of Teen Sing Bookbinder).

Hongkong, 17th February, 1891.

NOTICE.

THOMAS KERR & CO.

ENGINEERS, BOILER-MAKERS
AND
CONTRACTORS.

YAU-MA-TI ENGINEERING WORKS,
KOWLOON.

OFFICE—No. 12, D'Aguiar Street.

Hongkong, 24th August, 1890.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA
DOCK COMPANY,
LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS

are respectfully informed that, if upon
their arrival in this Harbour a one of the
COMPANY'S FORMEN should be at hand,
ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the HEAD
OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive
prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found
necessary, communication with the Undersigned
is requested, when immediate steps will be taken
to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th August, 1889.

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